

CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

5 1. A server system, comprising:

a server having a retractable LCD module,
wherein the LCD module may be
selectively moved between an open
position and a retracted position
within a chassis of the server.

2. The server system as recited in claim 1, further comprising a resilient member connected to the LCD module to bias the LCD module towards the retracted position.

3. The server system as recited in claim 2, wherein the resilient member comprises a spring.

20 4. The server system as recited in claim 3, wherein
the spring comprises a pair of springs.

5. The server system as recited in claim 3, further comprising an outer guide housing for receiving the LCD module.

5 6. The server system as recited in claim 5, further comprising a retraction assembly to which the LCD module is pivotably attached.

7. The server system as recited in claim 6, wherein
10 the server includes a front, the outer guide housing being oriented generally perpendicular to the front.

8. The server system as recited in claim 7, wherein
the server further includes a floppy drive assembly and a
15 CD drive assembly, the LCD module being disposed generally in front of the floppy drive assembly and the CD drive assembly when in the open position.

9. The server system as recited in claim 8, wherein
20 the LCD module is pivoted to a position generally perpendicular to the front of the server before moving to the retracted position.

10. A retractable module system, comprising:

an LCD module;

5 Sub A1 a guide housing sized to retractably receive the

LCD module; and

10 a resilient member disposed in the guide housing

and connected to the LCD module to bias the

15 LCD module to a retracted position.

11. The retractable module system as recited in claim

10, wherein the resilient member comprises a spring.

15 12. The retractable module system as recited in claim

11, wherein the spring is connected to the LCD module by a

bracket.

13. The retractable module system as recited in claim

20 12, wherein the LCD module is pivotably connected to the

bracket.

14. The retractable module system as recited in claim 13, wherein the LCD module may be pulled from the guide housing and pivoted to an open position.

5 15. A system for facilitating the display of information related to a specific device, comprising:
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a processor-based device having a chassis; and
10 an information display module that may be moved between a retracted position within the chassis and an open position.

16. The system as recited in claim 15, wherein the
15 processor-based device comprises a server.

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20 17. The system as recited in claim 16, further comprising a resilient member connected to the LCD module to bias the LCD module towards the retracted position.

18. The server system as recited in claim 16, wherein
the resilient member comprises a spring.

19. The server system as recited in claim 18, wherein
the spring comprises a pair of springs.

20. The server system as recited in claim 18, further
comprising an outer guide housing for receiving the LCD
module.

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21. The server system as recited in claim 20, further
comprising a retraction assembly to which the LCD module is
pivotably attached.

22. The server system as recited in claim 21, wherein
the server includes a front, the outer guide housing being
oriented generally perpendicular to the front.

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23. The server system as recited in claim 22, wherein
the server further includes a floppy drive assembly and a
CD drive assembly, the LCD module being disposed generally
in front of the floppy drive assembly and the CD drive
assembly when in the open position.

24. The server system as recited in claim 23, wherein
the LCD module is pivoted to a position generally

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perpendicular to the front of the server before moving to
the retracted position.

25. A method for conserving space in a server,
5 comprising:

storing a display module in a guide housing
disposed within a server; and

10 removing the display module from the guide
housing to an open, visible position.

26. The method as recited in claim 25, wherein
storing comprises storing an LCD module.

15 27. The method as recited in claim 26, wherein
removing comprises pivoting the LCD module approximately 90°
to the open, visible position.

20 28. The method as recited in claim 27, further
comprising biasing the LCD module to a position within the
guide housing.

29. The method as recited in claim 28, wherein
biasing comprises utilizing a spring to draw the LCD module
into the guide housing.

5 30. The method as recited in claim 29, wherein
pivoting comprises moving the LCD module to a position in
front of a CD drive assembly.